

financial assistance to the sugarcane growers against late crushing of sugarcane resulting in to reduction of sugar recovery and increased burden of harvesting and transportation cost incurred by them

**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA**

Cooperation, Marketing & Textile Deptt.

Government Resolution No. SSK-1007/C.R.194/25-C

Mantralaya Annex, Mumbai-32

Date : 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2007.

- Read :-**
- 1) Govt. Resolution, Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No. SSK 1020/Pra. Kra.76/25-C, Dated 3rd of May, 2000.
  - 2) Govt. Resolution, Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No. SSK 1020/Pra.Kra.173/25-C,Dated 6th of June, 2000.
  - 3) Govt. Circular,Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No. SSK 102000/Pra.Kra.196/25-C, Dated 20th of June, 2000.
  - 4) Govt. letter,Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No.SSK 102000/Pra.Kra.196/25-C, Dated 23rd of June, 2000.
  - 5) Govt. letter , Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No.SSK102000/Pra. Kra. 196/25-C,Dated 7th of July, 2000
  - 6) Govt.Resolution,Department of Cooperation,Marketing and Textile, No.SSK 1002/Pra.Kra.317/25-C, Dated 17 th December2002.
  - 7) Textile,No.SSK1002/Pra.Kra.317/25-C,Dated17thDecember2002.
  - 8) Govt.Corrigendum, Department of Cooperation, Marketingand Textile, No. SSK 1002/Pra.Kra.317/25-C, Dated 18 th December , 2002.
  - 9) Govt. Resolution, Department of Cooperation, Marketing and Textile, No. SSK 1003/Pra. Kra. 435/25-C, Dated 4th February 2004

During the season 2006-07, being a record production of sugarcane in the state. The Govt. has made all possible efforts to ensure crushing of entire sugar cane available for crushing. Commissioner of Sugar has issued instructions to the sugar mills not to close down the crushing without obtaining prior permission of the Commissionerate of Sugar.

Normal duration of crushing is 160 days when average recovery of sugar is expected to be at higher level. But due to excessive availability of cane for crushing during current year, there is following two fold effect on the sugar industry i.e. on sugarcane growers as they being ultimate owners of the sugar mills.

Firstly, reduction in sugar recovery will adversely affect production of sugar.

Secondly, late crushing of sugarcane makes the cane growers to incur higher expenses on harvesting and transportation of cane up to sugar mills for crushing.

Consequent to late crushing and low recovery of sugar, the millers are not in a position to pay Statutory Minimum Price (S.M.P.) to the cane growers.

The provisions of Sugarcane (Control) Order 1966 made it mandatory on the part of the sugar mills to pay SMP to the sugarcane growers so as to ensure at least the cost of cultivation of

sugarcane is paid by the sugar mills to them. However, this year most of the mills are finding it difficult to pay the SMP declared by the Govt. of India because of late crushing of sugarcane.

In view of above difficulties being faced by the sugarcane growers, the ultimate owners of the cooperative sugar mills it was under consideration of the State Government to extend financial assistance to sugarcane growers through the sugar mills.

Therefore, the State Govt. has resolved to extend the financial help to the sugarcane growers through their sugar mills enabling them to pay sugarcane price as per SMP, in following manner.

#### **RESOLUTION :-**

The sugar mills crushing sugarcane allotted by the Sugar Commissioner, M.S.Pune and the mills crushing sugarcane late in the season will be eligible to get financial assistance as below.

a) Financial assistance against the reduction in sugar recovery of the sugarcane crushed after 1st May,2007 for the benefit of farmers, which would have otherwise not even crushed under normal circumstances, @ Rs.130/- for 1% reduction in recovery.

b) Financial assistance for additional Transportation and Harvesting cost incurred for the sugarcane allotted for crushing by Sugar Commissionerate @ Rs.2/- PMT/PKM of actual transportation of sugarcane. This financial assistance will be admissible to the harvesting and transportation made by the sugarcane growers personally or by way of engaging the H&T machinery arranged and provided by the respective sugar mills on behalf of cane growers.

By the order and in the name of Governor of Maharashtra.

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- 9] Accountant General ( Commercial), Maharashtra State, Mumbai.
- 10] Commissioner for Co-operation & Registrar Co-operative Societies, Maharashtra State, Pune.
- 11] Commissioner of Sugar, Maharashtra State, Pune.
- 12] All District Collectors

- 13]** All Cheif Executive Officers, Zilla Parishad
- 14]** All Divisional Joint Registrars, Cooperative Societies
- 15]** All Regional Joint Directors (Sugar)
- 16]** All Districe Deputy Registrar, Cooperative Societies
- 17]** Finance Department/Exp.2/Budget-3/Guarantee Branch, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 18]** Chairman/Executive Director, Maharastra State Executive Director
- 19]** All Chairman/Executive Director, District Central Cooperative Banks.
- 20]** Chairman, Maharashtra State Coopertaive Sugar Factories Federation Ltd. Nariman Point, Mumbai.
- 21]** Managing Director, Federation of Maharashtra State Coopertaive Sugar Factories Ltd. Nariman Point, Mumbai. They are requested to circilate this Government Resolution to all sugar Mills in the State.
- 22]** Desk Officer, 3-C, 13-C, Co-operation, Marketing & Textiles Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
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